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The Department of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of the Philippines presents its compliments to the Embassy of the United States of America and has the honor to acknowledge receipt of the Embassy's Note No.0975, dated 3 August 2007, which reads as follows:

The Embassy of the United States of America presents its compliments to the Department of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of the Philippines and has the honor to refer to earlier discussions between representatives of the two Governments regarding the provision by the Government of the United States of America of articles and services to the Government of the Philippines pursuant to section 1206 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2007 as modified and extended, or successor legislation. In this regard the Embassy refers to the Mutual Defense Assistance Agreement, effected through an exchange of notes at Manila on June 26, 1953 and the Agreement concerning payment to the United States of net proceeds from sale or disposal of defense articles furnished on a grant basis, effected through an exchange of notes at Manila on May 16 and July 16, 1974, as amended.

In accordance with these discussions, it is proposed that the Government of the Republic of the Philippines agree:

That the terms and conditions of the aforementioned agreements shall apply to articles and services provided pursuant to 1206 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2007 as modified and extended, or successor legislation, provided that, the articles and services will be mutually agreed upon by both governments.

The Embassy proposes that if the foregoing is acceptable to the Government of the Philippines, this note and the Department of Foreign Affairs of

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The Department wishes to inform the Embassy that the abovementioned note is acceptable to the Philippine Government and that said note and this reply constitute an agreement between the two Governments, which shall enter into force on the date of the Department of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of the Philippines' note.

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Pasay City, 03 August 2007.



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Enclosure: Suggested text of a reply note.



Embassy of the United States of America,
Manila, August 3, 2007.

SUGGESTED TEXT OF A REPLY NOTE

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